

Today we consider 7 spiritual lessons from 7 rebellion stories across Numbers 11-21 . . . .

4. Our human hearts are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

5. The sin underneath the sin of rebellion is \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Rebellion kindles God’s wrath and judgment, but humble \_\_\_\_\_ draws out God’s grace and steadfast love.

7. Though we are so often \_\_\_\_\_, God is always \_\_\_\_\_ to His promises and purposes.

**NEXT STEPS** to help us apply God’s Word

The wilderness journey of life is intended by God to teach us to trust Him. Spend some time this week determining where in your wilderness journey you are struggling to trust God . . .

- What does it look like to trust Him in this circumstance?
- What does it look like to distrust Him in this circumstance?
- Why is it hard to trust God in this circumstance right now?

**NEXT WEEK** | *Moses & the 12 Spies* | Numbers 13-14

TEXT	DESCRIPTION	GOD'S RESPONSE	MOSES'S ACTION
11:1-3	general rebellion	fire	Moses intercedes
11:4-35	complaint again God's provision / manna	plague	Moses complains
12	complaint against Moses	leprosy	Moses silent
13-14	refusal to enter the Promised Land	no entry	Moses intercedes
16-17	complaint against Aaron	ground opens + plague	Aaron intervenes
20:1-13	complaint against God's provision / no water	Moses and Aaron will die	Moses strikes rock
21:4-9	general rebellion	fiery snakes	Moses intercedes

1. Our journey through the wilderness is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ before we reach the Promised Land.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is often a catalyst for \_\_\_\_\_.

3. There are lots of ways to complain and rebel against God, but God doesn't like \_\_\_\_\_ of them.



## Moses & the Rebellion of the People

Numbers 11-21  
Sunday, April 25, 2021

*Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the time to jump in at [gracecentralcoast.org](http://gracecentralcoast.org).*

*This year, our aim is to see our Growth Groups embody our 3-fold identity as followers of Jesus: Family, Servant, and Missionary. To that end, we're framing our Growth Group Interaction Guide to help groups move in that direction.*

*During the COVID-19 crisis our groups are meeting live and virtually using Zoom and other online platforms.*

### CONNECT *(ask these questions to check-in with your group)*

Share a high and low from the last week and a bit about how you're doing.

### DISCUSS *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Read Numbers 11 together as a group. How did you "come under" God's Word in the text/message this week? What was new, fresh or challenging?
2. Thinking of God's Word as a mirror, where do you see yourself in these 7 rebellion stories?

3. Where, when, and why in your life are you tempted to complain about God's provision?
4. Where, when, and why in your life do you struggle with and against the authorities God has placed in your life? (government, bosses, parents, church leadership)
5. Where, when, and why in your life are you fearful and struggle to trust God?
6. Jesus is our true and better Moses, who always lives (who is alive forever) to make intercession for us. (Heb. 7:25) How can this truth help us when we fail to trust God?
7. When we are faithless, God remains faithful to His promises and purposes. What was God's promise and purpose for Israel and how are we reminded of God's faithfulness in Numbers? What is God's parallel purpose for us?

### PRAY *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- Pray for those suffering through this Covid-19 pandemic and pray for the continuing recovery.
- Pray for the strengthening of your trust in the wilderness circumstances where God has you right now.